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# House of Representatives

The House met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. FITZPATRICK).

# DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

> Washington, DC, March 17, 2023.

I hereby appoint the Honorable Brian K. FITZPATRICK to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

KEVIN McCarthy, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

#### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

On this St. Patrick's Day

May our worries be slight and our troubles few.

May we always choose right in whatever we do.

Then, O God, may You give us for every storm, a rainbow,

For every tear, a smile, For every care, a promise, And a blessing for each trial; For every problem life sends, A faithful friend to share, For every sigh, a sweet song, And an answer for each prayer.

Sure of Your grace and love this day and always, in Your sacred and most holy name we pray.

Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(z) of House Resolution 5, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

## ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the following enrolled bill was signed by the Speaker on Wednesday, March 15, 2023:

S. 619, to require the Director of National Intelligence to declassify information relating to the origin of COVID-19, and for other purposes.

# APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO BOARD OF VISITORS TO UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 9455(a), and the order of the House of January 9, 2023, of the following Members on the part of the House to the Board of Visitors to the United States Air Force Academy:

Mr. Pfluger, Texas Mr. Lamborn, Colorado

# COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

> OFFICE OF THE CLERK, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Washington, DC, March 16, 2023.

Hon. KEVIN McCarthy,

Speaker, House of Representatives,

Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on March 16, 2023, at 4:09 p.m.

That the Senate agreed to S. Res. 110.

Relative to the death of the Honorable James G. Abourezk, former United States Senator for the State of South Dakota.

Appointments:

United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

CHERYL L. JOHNSON,

Clerk.

#### SENATE ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The Speaker, on Wednesday, March 15, 2023, announced his signature to an enrolled bill of the Senate of the following title:

S. 619—An Act to require the Director of National Intelligence to declassify information relating to the origin of COVID-19, and for other purposes.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(z) of House Resolution 5, the House stands adjourned until 5 p.m. Tuesday, March 21, 2023.

Thereupon (at 11 o'clock and 3 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, March 21, 2023, at 5 p.m.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H.R. 1152. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to make changes with respect to water quality certification, and for other purposes (Rept. 118–10). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. House Concurrent Resolution 15. Resolution authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National Peace Officers Memorial Service and the National Honor Guard and Pipe

☐ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., ☐ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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